GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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AWARDING OF IMPORT LICENCES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not awarding the import licences to any company in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh;

(a) the State-wise and company-wise number of stockists of fertilizer manufacturing companies in the country alongwith the amount paid to them as rent during the last three years; and

(b) the quantum of different types of fertilizers likely to be manufactured by revival of all the closed/sick fertilizer factories?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT KUMAR JENA)

(a): The imports licence is not awarded to the companies State-wise. The decontrolled fertilizers (DAP/MAP/TSP/NPK/MOP) are imported under Open General Licence (OGL). The companies are free to import fertilizers as per their commercial judgement. The import of urea is permitted through State Trading Enterprises (STEs) i.e. MMTC, STC and IPL. The urea for agriculture use is imported on 'Government Account'. The urea so imported is handled and distributed by the fertilizer companies appointed at various ports. These companies are selling urea in the all States including Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh strictly as per the allocation given by Department of Fertilizers.

(b): The list of State-wise number of Stockist (Wholesaler/ Retailer) is at Annexure-'A'. The dealer's margin at the rate of Rs.180/- per MT for private dealer and Rs.200/- per MT for cooperative for urea is passed on to the wholesalers/ retailers.

(c): The Government has decided to revive eight closed fertilizer units of HFCL/FCIL. The scheme envisages putting up urea plant of capacity 1.15 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) at each of the existing locations.